

## **Sec. 24-7. Signs allowed without permit**

(a)(5) *Political campaign signs.* Signs or posters announcing candidates seeking political office and/or political issues and/or data pertinent thereto. Such signs shall be allowed in all zoning districts subject to the following:

- a. Every campaign sign must contain the name and address of person responsible for such sign and such person shall be responsible for its removal.
- b. Such signs or posters shall remain in place for no longer than 90 days before and ten days after the election for which they are intended, or, in the case of general state elections, from 46 days before the state primary preceding the election until ten days after the election unless otherwise provided pursuant to Minn. Stats. § 211B.045.
- c. All such signs or posters shall be confined to private property.
- d. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subsection, no such sign or poster shall be within any polling place or within 100 feet of the building in which any polling place is situated on the date of any public election held within the city.
- e. Any sign or poster found by the city to be in violation of this chapter may be, without notice, summarily dismantled, removed or otherwise rendered in compliance with this chapter by the city. Any costs incurred by the city in dealing with such sign or poster shall be the responsibility of the person described in subsection (5)a. of this subsection.

Please be aware of placement criteria. The graphic map on the following page illustrates the following:

1. The difference between right-of-way boundaries and street curbs is shown. **No sign shall be placed anywhere within the right-of-way.** The candidate will be responsible for accurately determining where the right-of-way is located.
2. Traffic visibility triangles are shown wherein no sign in excess of 30 inches above the street grade shall be permitted within a triangular area created by extending a distance of 30 feet in each direction from the intersecting rights-of-way and then connecting the two ends. **No sign shall be placed in violation of this code, at any intersection.**

If campaign signs are discovered in public rights-of-way, the owner of the sign will be notified either by phone or e-mail that the sign must be removed or brought into code compliance **within 48 hours** of said communication. Any sign illegally existing after 48 hours of notification will be removed by the City. The City will hold the sign(s) a maximum of 7 days after collection, after which the City will destroy the sign(s) if not collected by the owner.

If any sign is discovered with the aforementioned traffic visibility triangle, the City will remove the sign immediately and contact the owner. As above, the City will hold the sign(s) a maximum of 7 days after collection, after which the City will destroy the sign(s).